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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re original application of:

Applicants : Mark C. Schmidt, et al.  
Application Serial No.: 10/042,755  
Filing Date: : November 13, 2002  
Title: AUTOMATICALLY-ACTIVATED HAND-SUPPORTABLE  
MULTI-MODE LASER SCANNING BAR CODE SYMBOL  
READING SYSTEM  
Examiner : n/a  
Group Art Unit : 2876  
Attorney Docket No. : 108-181USA000

Honorable Commissioner  
of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced Patent Application, please amend the same as follows:

AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 31-109 and 115-119 without prejudice or disclaimer.